beginning September 24, 2000, as "National Amputee Awareness Week."

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

STEM CELL RESEARCH ACT OF $2000\,$

BROWNBACK AMENDMENTS NOS. 4154-4162

(Ordered referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions)

Mr. BROWNBACK submitted nine amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 2015) to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research with respect to human embryonic stem cells; as follows:

Amendment No. 4154

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. PROHIBITION ON EXPORTATION OF HUMAN EMBRYOS.

The Secretary of Commerce shall prohibit the export (as such term is defined in section 16 of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App 2415)) from the United States of any human embryo or part thereof.

AMENDMENT No. 4155

On page 1, line 6, strike "Sec.".

AMENDMENT No. 4156

On page 1, line 6, strike "2.".

Amendment No. 4157

On page 1, line 6, strike "Research".

AMENDMENT No. 4158

On page 1, line 6, strike "on".

AMENDMENT No. 4159

On page 1, line 6, strike "Human".

AMENDMENT No. 4160

On page 1, line 6, strike "Embryonic".

AMENDMENT No. 4161

On page 1, line 6, strike "Stem".

Amendment No. 4162

On page 1, line 6, strike "Cells".

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2000

ABRAHAM AMENDMENT NO. 4163

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. ABRAHAM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 2796) to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. APPLICATION TO GREAT LAKES.

- (a) ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS.—Section 1109(c) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. 1962d-20(d)) is amended to read as follows:
 - "(c) Definitions.—In this section:
- "(1) GREAT LAKES STATE.—The term 'Great Lakes State' means each of the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, and Wisconsin.
- "(2) DIVERSION.—The term 'diversion' includes exports of bulk fresh water.
- "(3) BULK FRESH WATER.—The term 'bulk fresh water' means fresh water extracted in amounts intended for transportation outside the United States by commercial vessel or similar form of mass transportation, without further processing."
- (b) ADDITIONAL FINDING.—Section 1109 (b) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. 1962d-20) is amended by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), and by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:
- "(2) to encourage the Great Lakes States, in consultation with the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, to develop and implement a mechanism that provides a common conservation standard embodying the principles of water conservation and resource improvement for making decisions concerning the withdrawal and use of water from the Great Lakes Basin;".
- (c) Sense of the Congress.—It is the Sense of the Congress that the Secretary of State should work with the Canadian Government to encourage and support the Provinces in the development and implementation of a mechanism and standard concerning the withdrawal and use of water from the Great Lakes Basin consistent with those mechanisms and standards developed by the Great Lakes States.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Wednesday, September 27, 2000, at 9:30 a.m. in room 485 of the Russell Senate Building to conduct a hearing on S. 2052, a bill to establish a demonstration project to authorize the integration and coordination of Federal funding dedicated to community, business, and the economic development of Native American communities to be followed immediately by a business meeting to markup pending committee bills.

Those wishing additional information may contact committee staff at 202/224–2251

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President I ask unanimous consent that Ms. Kimbriel Dean be allowed on the floor for the duration of my remarks.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the privilege of the floor be granted to David Sarokin, a fellow on my staff, during the pendency of S. 2045, the H-1B visa bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MEASURE READ FOR THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 5203

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I understand that H.R. 5203 is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill for the first time.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5203) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to sections 103(a)(2), 103(b)(2), and 213(b)(2)(C) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2001 to reduce the public debt and to decrease the statutory limit on the public debt, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for retirement security.

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading, and I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

The bill will be read the second time on the next legislative day.

INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION ACT OF 2000

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives to accompany H.R. 2909.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the House agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, H.R. 2909, entitled "An Act to provide for implementation by the United States of the Hague Convention on Protection of Children in Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, and for other purposes," with an amendment.

Mr. ENZI. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate agree to the amendment of the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LEAHY. Will the Senator yield? Mr. ENZI. I vield.

Mr. LEAHY. Regarding the last bill that went through, I want to take a moment to compliment a colleague of mine from Massachusetts, Congressman DELAHUNT, who has worked so hard and so diligently. It will give me a great deal of pleasure to tell him it has passed. I thank my friend.

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I am extremely pleased that today the Senate is giving advice and consent to the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption, and approval to the related implementing legislation.

The Senate's approval of these measures will send both of them to the President for his signature. This is good news for American parents looking to adopt overseas, and good news for the thousands of orphaned children overseas looking for loving homes.